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May 15, 1895.  
May 21, 1895.

## Intimations.

VICTORIA CHAPTER, No. 525.  
AN Emergency CONVOCAION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 27th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.  
Hongkong, May 27, 1895.

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.  
No. 63.

NOTICE is hereby given that TUESDAY Next, the 28th Instant, (6th day, 5th Moon), being the CHINESE MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL, will be observed as a HOLIDAY at the Kowloon Customs Office, Opium Examination Office, and Stations.  
All Examination of Cargo and Clearance of Junks will be suspended on that date.  
H. ELGAR HOBSON,  
Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.

CUSTOM HOUSE,  
Kowloon, 24th May, 1895.

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

TENDERS for 750 Ordinary SHARES with \$3.75 PAID-UP and for 1,600 \$1 Preference SHARES are invited by the Directors to be sent in on or before 10 o'clock on the 1st day of JUNE Next, to the undersigned at the Company's Office, Connaught House, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.  
The following Conditions to be observed:—  
1.—The Tenders to be made upon Forms which may be had on application, and must be accompanied by a Payment of 25% of the amount tendered.  
2.—The Tenders may be for all or part of the above Number of Shares, and must be accompanied by a Payment of 25% of the amount tendered.  
3.—In case of Registered Shareholders and Non-Shareholders tendering on equal terms, Shareholders will have the Preference.  
4.—Payment in full to be made at the Company's Office within 24 hours after notice of Allotment has been given, otherwise the Allotment may be cancelled.  
5.—The Tenders will be opened at Noon, on SATURDAY, the 1st day of June next, in the presence of the Board of Directors, and Letters of Allotment will thereupon be issued.  
6.—The Company do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any Tender.  
By Order,  
JAMES B. DUNCAN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 18, 1895.

THE LABUK PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED  
(IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that a FIRST RETURN of CAPITAL of \$2.75 Per Share will be PAYABLE at The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, on and after THURSDAY, the 16th Instant.  
SHAREHOLDERS on the Register can obtain Payment on Producing their fully Paid-up Share Certificates to the above Bank, and Signing the Form of Receipt to be obtained there.  
A. W. WALKINSHAW,  
JAMES H. COX,  
Liquidators.

Hongkong, May 13, 1895.

## Notices to Consignees.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, MANCHESTER, LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Kaiwan*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 31st Instant, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 31st Instant will be subject to rent.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day, the 25th Instant.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 25, 1895.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *SIKH*, FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO, HAMA AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 21, 1895.

## Business Notices.

### LANE CRAWFORD & CO.

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Hongkong, May 11, 1895.

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LONDON, &c.	<i>Rohilla</i>	Noon, 6th June.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON.	<i>Shanghai</i>	About 6th June.	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN.	<i>Anconia</i>	Daylight, 8th June.	Freight or Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, May 27, 1895.

ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

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C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, May 3, 1895.

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PUBLIC AUCTION OF JEWELLERY.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from C. F. A. SANGSTER, Esq., Official Administrator, to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 28th May, 1895, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, SUNDAY JEWELLERY, The Property of the late Mr. ROBERT FRAZER-SMITH.

Catalogues will be issued. On View from the Morning of the Day of Sale.

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Hongkong, May 22, 1895.

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Hongkong, April 11, 1895.

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Hongkong, May 27, 1895.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Orion*, Capt. HUTCHINSON, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 22, 1895.

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.

The Steamship *Orion*, Capt. D. OUTRAM, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 30th Instant.

For Freight, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, May 23, 1895.

### Shipping.

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FOR SINGAPORE, HAYRE AND HAMBURG.

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(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)

The Steamship *Krimaid*, Captain TH. FOUCH, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 28th June, at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers, and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 23, 1895.

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Hongkong, May 23, 1895.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Hailong*, Captain HALL, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 28th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAIDLAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, May 27, 1895.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Peiyang*, Captain H. KAPLER, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 28th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, May 23, 1895.

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

The Steamship *Glenearn*, Captain MORRIS, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 28th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 21, 1895.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Steamship *Yamato*, Captain G. MORRIS, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 25, 1895.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship *Singhai*, Captain C. B. N. DODD, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 25, 1895.

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Managing Proprietors: PINILLOS, SAEZ & Co., CADIZ.

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For further information apply to the Agents of the Company, No. 22 Stanley Street.

VILLA, LOPEZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 13, 1895.

## Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 3/3 L.T. German Barque *Paulsen*, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, May 17, 1895.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A.T. British Ship *Glennie*, PITCHER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, May 14, 1895.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 3/3 A.T. American Ship *Santa Clara*, PITCHER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, May 11, 1895.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.







There are several questions which are now agitating the residents of this Colony, to which answers will have to be given:—

One is, what size of spectacle did Mr. McConachie use when he read the extract from the Medical Commission Report at the Legislative Council meeting on the 17th ultimo?

Another is, What led the members of the Medical Commission to leave the middle where it was, instead of clearing it up?

One more question is, who made the mudslide originally?

Whatever explanation may be given of the peculiar alteration of the Medical Commission Report, which changed materially the Committee's expression of opinion, it is clear enough to us that the responsibility of that alteration must fall upon some one or other of the Members of that Committee. If the other Members are content to permit that exceptional expression of opinion to go to the public as their own, after they know it is not so, then the responsibility of such a misrepresentation must fall upon those who failed to put this thing right.

It has been rumoured that Lieut. General Barker has been awarded a Knighthood, and the rumour would not be considered as all out of place, considering the special services he rendered to Hongkong. We have not, however, succeeded in verifying the rumour, and it may merely be the wish which is father to the thought. The fact Mr. F. H. May has been made a C.M.G. must be included in the Birthday Honours, for it was whispered a day or two ago.

There can be no question that the Captain Superintendent of Police (Mr. May) fully deserves this honour, because, as we have stated repeatedly from personal knowledge, he worked during the Plague like a Titan. There were others, however, who worked with him and for him. They could not all be crowned in that way, it is true; but, as representing the Unofficial element on the Permanent Committee, we have no hesitation in saying that the Chairman of the Permanent Committee (Mr. J. J. Francis) should have been honoured in a similar way. The methods of the hardy Q.C. may be different from those of the official phalanx, as a rule; but the result of those methods, as shown during the Plague, was eminently satisfactory. Therefore, we argue that any recognition of services rendered during that trying period by an official (however capable and popular) should have been accompanied by a similar recognition to the ruling spirit of the civil service, who were equally successful in their work, and who, even though their spirit was not as unflinching as upon various occasions was an opponent of the Government; and all the more so, perhaps on that account.

The Shanghai butchers' strike has collapsed.

Mr. J. J. Keenwick was at Tientsin on the 13th inst.

The Japan Brewery Co., Limited, pays a dividend of 8 per cent.

Mr. Matsushima left Kobe on the 13th inst.

The Chinese, according to the *Mercury*, state that the Emperor, advised by the Empress-Dowager, still desires to change the capital of China further inland.

The steamer *Reussen*, which arrived at Nagasaki from Cardiff on the 13th inst., has the *Nagasaki Express* aboard, and is bound for the Japanese coast.

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The death is announced of Lady Keppel, the wife of Admiral of the Fleet the Hon. Sir Henry Keppel, Lady Keppel was the daughter of Mr. Martin J. West, of Cadogan Place, S.W., and was Sir Henry Keppel's second wife. She was married in 1861.

The *Mercury* of the 20th inst. says:—A sum of 2,000,000 taels, forming part of the provincial loan secured in the Customs revenue, was paid by a foreign firm into the Hongkong Bank early last week. It is perhaps indicative of the present state of affairs that up till to-day it was not taken possession of.

The Shanghai *Mercury* learns that Herr von Brandt has not been confirmed in his post of Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs to the German Imperial Government. "Whether this new development indicates any change of front with regard to the relations of the Government with China, our contemporary is unable to affirm or deny, but taken in connection with the Emperor's recent speeches it may afford ground for consideration.

At the meeting of the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce held on the 20th inst. it was mentioned that the question as to the importing of machinery for the purpose of cotton spinning had been settled in favour of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. who for some months past had machinery lying at Shanghai awaiting permission to be landed. A cotton mill under British management will be erected immediately.

Messrs. Scott and Co., Greenock, have launched the steel steamer *Diamond* for the Ocean Steamship Company, Liverpool. The *Diamond* is a sister ship to the *Oriskany* and the *Dardanelles*, built and owned by Messrs. Scott and Co. for the same firm. She is a vessel of 3,284 tons gross, with a carrying capacity of 6,000 tons, and the hulls will supply triple expansion engines of 2,000 horse-power indicated.

Messrs. B. Napier and Sons, Govan, have launched a steel screw steamer of about 700 tons, named *Palmers*, for the Compagnie Messageries Maritimes de l'Océan Indien. Length, 210 ft.; breadth, 27 ft. 10 in.; depth, 14 ft. 6 in.; with the top of the funnel, long bridge, and full poop. The machinery is triple expansion capable of indicating 630 horse-power, with two single-ended boilers for a working pressure of 144 lbs.

As the *Manitoba* was leaving Nagasaki on the 21st inst. she unfortunately collided with the *Shell* liner *St. Turlo*, while the latter vessel was lying at anchor off the Ono Tanka. The *Manitoba* struck her on a floating buoy on the upper part of the stem, bending it, breaking and building two plates, besides doing considerable small damage. The *Manitoba* was injured somewhat about the bridge. She returned to port.

TRANSFERRING AND Cabin Planes, at W. Robinson and Company.

A RUSSIAN steamship company, (Sheveloff & Co.) is reported by the *Nagasaki Express* to be taking steps for opening a line of steamers between Hakodate and Vladivostok with a view to encouraging trade between Russia and Japan.

The *Osaka Mainichi Shimbun* states that the proposed cable between Japan and Formosa will be laid from Osaka in Kiushiu via the Loochoos, thus bringing the latter into telegraphic communication with Japan. The estimated cost of the cable is 3,000,000 yen.

LAST night, says the *Japan Mail* of the 14th inst., fire broke out in a house on the Hill occupied by Mr. Young, of the *Kobe Chronicle*, and in a short space of time the premises were gutted and the contents destroyed. Hoises and contents are insured. This morning another fire broke out on the Hill, and two small foreign houses belonging to Mr. Blackwell and five or six Japanese houses were totally destroyed. Later on, another fire occurred near the Paper Mill, and in this conflagration four or five Japanese houses were burned.

THIS morning at 7 o'clock (writes a Chief Correspondent of the 11th inst., to the *Daily News*) the whole fleet of 12 vessels, headed by the *Nicolaï I*, steamed away to the north as in the direction of Port Arthur. The Russians said they would return after the afternoon, and at 5 p.m. there are signs of their return. The fleet consisted of the *Nicolaï I*, *Admiral Nakhimoff*, *Vladimir Monakh*, *Pomnik Azora* (Ironclad), *Gromitsky*, *Korvet*, *Sivuch*, *Zabizka*, and *Vladimir Haydamak*, (torpedo boats 1st class), *Siebagor* (torpedo boat 2nd class). The only Russian vessel left now in port is the *Peterburg*, a large steamer belonging to the volunteer fleet, which remains here full of troops.

CAPTAIN Henry Webster, late of the *Irene*, has been promoted, on the recommendation of Lieut. Hong, chief of the Chinese forces of the Double Dragon, Div. I, Class 3, for "in the face of danger carrying provisions and munitions of war in his vessel." The owners of the vessel have also presented him with a valuable pair of aluminium binoculars, for valuable services rendered. In connection with this, says the *N.C. Daily News*, the capacity of women runners and hangers-on may be mentioned. Among the recipients of the Chinese honours are a number of foreigners who have made themselves useful to the Government during the war, and whose decorations have been handed to them, the really yametes have insisted that they being without pay, expected a present for their trouble, and when they did not get it they tried to fleece those Chinese whom they thought could induce the recipients of the decorations to give them a douceur.

As a forcible argument for the immediate construction of the railway from Canton to Peking, says the *N.C. Daily News*, the Chinese mandarins should note the journey overland of a quantity of fire-arms and ammunition from Canton which recently arrived at Peking en route for the Peking Field Force. This was a cargo of 3,000 stand of Manlicher magazine rifles with their accessories and the regulation 200 cartridges for each rifle. They were transported by boat from Canton on the 6th of December, 1894, and the journey, which began the land journey on coolies' shoulders as far as Hankow, province of Kiangsi. From this point the journey by boat was recommenced via Poyang Lake, the Yangtze and the river to Shanghai. Then came the long journey by rail, the cargo being packed this time in carriages drawn by four horses or mules, as far as Tientsin, where they arrived "in good condition" on the 2nd inst. Nearly five full months were occupied with this journey, whereas had railways existed it could have been accomplished within ten days. Owing to the important nature of the cargo and the prepared relays of men, boats, and animals for it, this progress from south to north has been a "record" passage. Had it been with traders' merchandise the journey would have taken at least a month more.

A TELEGRAM dated Tientsin, 16th May, says published in the *N.C. Daily News* that the French, German, and Russian object to all financial schemes of China conferring special rights on any nationality. This protest will frustrate the reported proposals of an American syndicate for financing the indemnity to be paid to the Japanese Government for the loss of the concession for the construction of railways, etc. In reference to this the *Mercury* says it is "authorised to deny that any such financial scheme as our contemporary indicated has ever been in contemplation. There have been negotiations on behalf of any American syndicate to pay off the indemnity in exchange for any national conditions. It is quite true that certain American and English financial houses of high rank have proposed a loan to China, and have offered to finance the indemnity, but the proposal has not included any special conditions national or otherwise. The fact that the greater part of the capital is English may at once disabuse the mind of any reasonable man. It is also the fact that the same syndicate has also offered to construct a railway to find capital for the construction of railways but neither in this have any national or exclusive privileges been suggested. The syndicate is in the pursuit of a mercantile one, and as we have stated includes financial houses on both sides of the Atlantic of the highest position."

At Tientsin on the 10th inst., we learn from the *Latou and Tientsin Times*, a steamer belonging to H.M.S. *Swift*, Jesse Hall by name, went on board the vessel of liquor. His state being observed by the officer of the watch, Hall was ordered below, but instead of complying he made a run to the side of the ship, and jumped overboard in order to "break out" of the ship. The officer of the watch several times ordered him to come out of the river, but he was obstinate and kept swimming about the ship and finally the officer of the watch (Lieut. Clarke) jumped overboard after him. Hall immediately dived, with the evident intention of passing under the ship and getting across the river. However, he did not come up again, and Lieut. Clarke dived several times in the hope of finding him. A boat was quickly lowered from the ship, but no trace of him could be found. On Sunday, the 13th, the body was found close to where the *Swift* had been moored. As Hall was one of the best swimmers in the ship it is supposed that he must have got under the ship, and was unable to extricate himself. The deceased was about 34 years old and of fine physique, and we are told, as a rule, sober and well behaved. At the adjourned inquest held on the morning of the 15th a great deal of evidence was given, and was found by the jury, Messrs. H. B. Clark, Esq., W. H. Forbes, and H. Cousins, H. B. M. Counsel officiating as coroner. The funeral took place the same day, a party of *Swift* having come up from Taku by train to attend. The cortege was preceded by the *Swift* and with qualified dragoon.

SIR R. Temple asked the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs in the House of Commons on the 25th ult. whether Japan was bound by existing engagements to share with the United Kingdom any commercial privileges she might possess or acquire in China or elsewhere.—SIR E. Grey: No engagement exists with Japan to this effect; but under Article 24 of the Treaty with China of June 26, 1858, "it is agreed that British subjects shall pay on all merchandise imported or exported by them the duties prescribed by the tariff, but in no case shall they be called upon to pay either higher duties than are required of the subjects of any other foreign nation," and under Article 54 of that Treaty, the British Government and its subjects are "confirmed in all privileges, immunities, and advantages conferred on them by previous Treaties," and it is "expressly stipulated that the British Government and its subjects will be allowed free and equal participation in all privileges, immunities, and advantages that may hereafter, or may be hereafter, granted by his Majesty the Emperor of China to the Government or subjects of any other nation."

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(SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL'.)

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Racecourse	5 to 1 against.
London	10 " 1
Sir Fido	10 " 1
Kilnwood	12 " 1
Stonewall	15 " 1
Comet	20 " 1
London	20 " 1

### THE MONETARY QUESTION.

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Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.  
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States and Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.  
Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular fare.  
Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have the choice of the Southern Pacific, Central Pacific, Union Pacific, Denver and Rio Grande, and Northern Pacific, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.  
Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.  
Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.  
Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-shipment to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.  
Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcels will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.  
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.  
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, May 18, 1895. 950

## Mails.

**NOTICE.**  
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,  
SUEZ, PORT SAID,  
NAPLES, GENOA,  
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG.  
POINTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK  
SEA & BALTIC PORTS:  
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,  
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,  
GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN  
PORTS.  
THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL  
AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS  
AND LOGGERS.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Kaiserliche... Tuesday May 28.  
Prinz Heinrich... Monday June 24.  
Bayern... Monday July 22.  
Preussen... Monday August 19.  
Sachsen... Monday Sept. 16.  
Gera... Monday Oct. 14.  
Prinz Heinrich... Monday Nov. 11.  
Preussen... Monday Dec. 9.  
Hessen... Monday Jan. 6.  
Gera... Monday Feb. 3.

TO-MORROW, the 29th day of May, 1895, at 6 a.m., the Company's S.S. *KARLSRUHE*, Capt. W. von SCHROEDER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 25th Instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until Noon, on MONDAY, the 27th Instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on SATURDAY, the 25th Inst. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

Linon can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,  
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Hongkong, May 27, 1895. 851

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the Pacific Coast and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA, and to Europe.  
HONGKONG TO LONDON, \$400.  
Excellent accommodation. First class Table. Doctor and STEWARDESS carried.  
HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, \$350.  
The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent scenery of the Rocky and Cascade Mountains. The Yellowstone National Park route. Passengers to Europe may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA, \$225.

Rate of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Strathcona... Tuesday June 4.  
Bismarck... Tuesday June 25.  
Victoria... Tuesday July 16.  
Tacoma... Tuesday Aug. 6.  
Hankow... Tuesday Aug. 27.  
S.S. ... Tuesday Sept. 17.  
Victoria... Tuesday Oct. 8.  
Tacoma... Tuesday Oct. 29.  
Hankow... Tuesday Nov. 19.

No Passengers carried by these 2 sailings.

THE Steamship *STRATHCONA*, Capt. PATTIE, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 4th June, will proceed via VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate, signed by the shipper, and forwarded by the steamer to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARILLI & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, May 23, 1895. 978

## Intimations.

Wine and Spirit Merchants,  
13, QUEEN'S ROAD.  
Hongkong, August 18, 1891. 1012

## THOMAS GRILL ROOM.

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

I am happy to inform my Patrons that in connection with the Grill Room, I have secured the 1st Floor recently occupied by the CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY (above the present Grill Room) and have fitted it up for

LADIES' DINING ROOMS, with all conveniences attached. I am also

DINNERS, TIFINS & SUPPERS to parties when Ordered distinct from the ordinary Grill Room.

DAILY NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS.  
W. THOMAS,  
Proprietor.  
Hongkong, May 23, 1895. 972

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## Hannay's COMPOSITION

Coating Ship's Bottoms.

USED BY—  
Ocean S.S. Co.  
White Star Line.  
East Indian Ocean S.S. Co.  
Glen Line.  
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Allan Line, etc.

HARRY WICKING,  
Agent for Hongkong & South China.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1895. 815

TERMS VERY MODERATE.  
Consultation Free.

HONGKONG, April 2, 1895. 628

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE  
FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. Special  
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Mrs. MATHER,  
2 and 3 Paddis Hill.  
Hongkong, July 24, 1893. 1287

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Geo. P. LAMBERT,  
Duddell Street.  
Hongkong, April 28, 1895. 768

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